



Below is an update on the Iowa Health and Wellness Plan and Health Insurance Marketplace:

Iowa Health and Wellness Plan

Learn More About the Dental Wellness Plan: The Dental Wellness Plan will begin May 1, 2014, and will provide dental benefits to members of the Iowa Health and Wellness Plan. Iowa Medicaid has partnered with Delta Dental of Iowa to administer the program. Learn more about the program by attending an [informational session](#). Providers can find information by visiting Delta Dental's [provider website](#). Also access a [recent FAQ](#) for information on the program.

Accountable Care Organizations (ACO) Agreements Signed: The Iowa Medicaid Enterprise has signed agreements with two large ACOs to encourage healthy behaviors and improve health outcomes for thousands of Iowans who receive assistance under the Iowa Health and Wellness Plan. The IME has two major entities, University of Iowa Health Alliance LLC and UnityPoint Health Partners, signed up to be ACOs for the Iowa Wellness Plan, effective April 1, 2014. [Learn more about the agreements by accessing the release](#).

Iowa Medicaid Health Homes Featured in New Brief: The Center for Health Care Strategies has released a new brief focused on Medicaid Health Homes and lessons from the early adopters. Iowa Medicaid's Health Homes are featured in the brief, as Iowa has seen success in the program. Learn more about health homes by [accessing the brief](#).

Recent Job Posting, Seeking Managed Care Director: Iowa Medicaid is seeking an Executive Officer level position to serve as the Managed Care Director. The Managed Care Director leads all of the Medicaid managed care programs which are a central component of our medical home/ACO/Health and Wellness Plan implementation and payment reform initiatives. In addition, this position performs contract management and oversight for the Iowa Plan and the Iowa Medicaid Enterprise Member Services contracts. Applications will be accepted until April 21, 2014. Learn more by visiting the [Department of Administrative Services posting](#), job ID 13564BR. Interested applicants should send their resume and cover letter detailing their experience to mreilly@dhs.state.ia.us.

Reminder- White Papers Available on HRA and Healthy Behavior Rewards: Several white papers have recently been released related to the Healthy Behaviors Program. The first outlines Iowa Medicaid's strategy for implementation of the health risk assessment (HRA). [Learn more about the tool here](#). The second white paper focuses on the Healthy Behaviors Program, specifically the piece focused on providing additional member rewards for the completion of healthy activities. Iowa Medicaid welcomes comments and feedback on the program from our stakeholders. To submit comments, feedback, or questions, please contact DHSIMEHealthandWellnesPlan@dhs.state.ia.us. You can also learn more about the program by [accessing the rewards white paper](#).

Reminder- March Enrollment Maps Released: The Iowa Health and Wellness Plan county-based enrollment maps have been updated. The maps include enrollment through March 2014. [Access the updated maps here.](#)

Health Insurance Marketplace

Reminder- Special Enrollment Periods in the Marketplace: The deadline for open enrollment was March 31. CMS has clarified that under limited circumstances, people with complex cases may qualify for a special enrollment period. These include, for example, victims of domestic abuse and consumers who were found ineligible for Medicaid, but whose accounts were not transferred to the Marketplace in a timely way before March 31. These special cases are for specific situations where a consumer was not able to successfully complete enrollment during the open enrollment period despite their efforts to do so and through no fault of their own.

- [Consumer Fact Sheet](#)
- [Assister Tips for People “In Line”](#)
- [Assister Tips for Complex Cases](#)
- [Guidance for Issuers on People “In Line”](#)
- [Guidance for Issuers on Complex Cases](#)

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